



Executive Order No. 009
Series of 2020

**DEFERRING AND/OR CANCELLING THE CONDUCT OF PUBLIC GATHERINGS
WITHIN THE CITY OF VIGAN**

WHEREAS, Section 15 Article 2 of the 1987 Constitution provides that it is the policy of the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and still health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code specifies that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11332 otherwise known as the Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Diseases and Health Events of Public Health Concern Act purports to recognize disease surveillance and response systems of the Department of Health (DOH) and its local counterparts as the first line of defense to epidemics and health events of public health concern that pose risk to public health and security;

WHEREAS, a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines was declared by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte through Proclamation No. 922 dated March 8, 2020, confirming the local transmission of Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19);

WHEREAS, the aforementioned declaration of a State of Public Health Emergency would facilitate the immediate implementation of the relevant procedures under RA 11992 and utilization of resources by government agencies and local government units to implement urgent and critical measures to contain or prevent the spread of COVID-19, mitigate its effects and impact to the community, and prevent serious disruption of the functioning of the government and the community

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 08, Series of 2020 dated March 10, 2020 was issued by the Undersigned which ordered the mandatory self-quarantine of individuals who travelled and/or passed through any COVID-19 affected areas;





WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has characterized the existence of COVID-19 as pandemic and with the recent developments of the disease in the Philippines, President Duterte has raised the Code Alert System into Code Red Sublevel Two (2), hence the necessity to implement stringent measures to prevent, control, and contain the spread of the 2019 novel corona virus (2019-ncov) and other similar strains;

NOW THEREFORE, I, **JUAN CARLO MEDINA**, Mayor of Vigan City, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order the immediate deferment and/or cancellation of public gatherings until the risk of transmission has subsided.

Public Gatherings shall be defined as a planned or spontaneous event where the number of people attending could strain the planning and response resources of the community hosting the event.

Furthermore, concerned offices and stakeholders shall conduct regular assessment and evaluation of the COVID-19 situation in the City and recommend if the herein Order shall continue or be lifted.

This Executive Order shall be effective immediately.

SO ORDERED.

Issued this 13th day of March 2020 in Vigan City, Ilocos Sur.

JUAN CARLO MEDINA



Vigan City
FRI AT 4:45 PM